

**2. In the Cable Television Networks Rules, 1994—**

- (i) in rule 6, in sub-rule (1) after clause (o) the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:—

"Provided that no film or film song or film promo or film trailer or music video or music albums or their promos, whether produced in India or abroad, shall be carried through cable service unless it has been certified by the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) as suitable for unrestricted public exhibition in India."

- (ii) in rule 7, for sub-rule (9) the following shall be substituted, namely:—

"(9) No advertisement which violates the Code for self-regulation in advertising, as adopted by the Advertising Standard Council of India (ASCI), Mumbai for public exhibition in India, from time to time, shall be carried in the cable service."

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**Note:** The principal rules were published in Gazette of India, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i) vide number GSR 729 (E), dated the 29th September, 1994 and subsequently amended by GSR 459 (E), dated the 8th October, 1996 and GSR 710(E), dated the 8th September, 2000 and GSR 282(E), dated the 11th May, 2006.

**Financial irregularities in the selection of films**

**165. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY:** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether in a report prepared by the information and Broadcasting Ministry there has been found serious financial irregularities in the selection of films for screening on Delhi Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the details of irregularities noticed;

(c) the losses suffered by Government in wrong selection of films, and

(d) the action taken against the officers responsible for such irregularities?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) and (b) In a preliminary enquiry conducted by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting into the functioning of the Films Wing in Mumbai, irregularities in the selection and gradation of films were *prima-facie* observed which were found to be deviating from the normal practice.

(c) Prasara Bharati has informed that there is no quantification of such losses.

(d) A CBI enquiry has been ordered and the concerned officials have been transferred out of their assignments. Simultaneously, administrative enquiry has also been instituted

### **Nationalisation of cable TV industry**

166. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to nationalise cable TV industry in view of unregulated growth and harassment of general subscribers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) the cable TV industry is regulated in accordance with the provisions of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 as amended and the rules framed thereunder.

### **Regular programme in Nepali**

†167. SHRI SAMAN PATHAK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Doordarshan have any scheme to telecast 'programmes' of scheduled languages on regular basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.